

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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<u>VIA CERTIFIED MAIL</u> RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Dan Hanson, Chairman Rusk County Republican Party 401 W. Flambeau Avenue Ladysmith, WI 54848

RE: MUR 5617

The Rusk County Democratic Party

Dear Mr. Hanson:

The Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in your complaint dated November 29, 2004. On November 17, 2005, based upon the information provided in your complaint, and information provided by the respondent(s), the Commission decided to dismiss the complaint and close its file in this matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on November 17, 2005.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003). A copy of the dispositive General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information. The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(8).

Sincerely,

Lawrence H. Norton

General Counsel

BY: Yeff S. Jordan

Supervisory Attorney

Complaints Examination and

Legal Administration

Enclosure
General Counsel's Report